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ARGENTINE TERRORIST ACTIVITIES; FPM - ARGENTINA.

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Reference my airtel and LHM 12/11/74 under the above dual caption.

ENCLOSURES

For the Bureau eight copies of an LHM dated and captioned as above.

ADMINISTRATIVE

The enclosed LHM being submitted at this time at the specific request of the Ambassador in connection with a visit to Argentina on 2/19/75 of Secretary of State HENRY KISSINGER. The Ambassador requested information in the enclosed LHM in connection with Embassy reporting on the terrorist situation to assist U. S. Secret Service and Department of State security officials in arranging for Secretary KISSINGER's visit.

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terrorist activities which have occurred since the submission of referenced LHM.

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FOREIGN POLITICAL MATTERS -
ARGENTINA;
ARGENTINE-TERRORIST ACTIVITIES

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Several confidential sources abroad provided the following chronological summary of the more serious terrorist acts carried out in Argentina during the period December 6, 1974, through January 27, 1975. (S)(U)

December 7, 1974 (S)(U)

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A member of the Peronist Council and his assistant were murdered in Buenos Aires Province (BAP). (S)(U)

A University employee with Communist connections was murdered in La Plata, BAP, during a kidnap attempt. (S)(U)

December 9, 1974 (S)(U)

Three badly mutilated bodies were discovered in an empty field adjacent to the Argentine Army Campo de Mayo military base in BAP. Buenos Aires Provincial Police (BAPP) investigation established that the bodies had been dynamited causing the respective parts to be blown over a considerable distance. BAPP investigation also established that the hands had been amputated from each of the bodies prior to being dynamited in an obvious attempt to hinder identification through fingerprints. An Argentine Army intelligence source advised that the bodies were those of three Argentine Army conscripts who were part of an Argentine terrorist organization, the Peoples Revolutionary Army (ERP) cell, and had been collaborating with the ERP in providing data on Argentine Army officers, especially their movements, in order to target them for ERP assassination squads. (S)(U) ARR.

December 12, 1974 (S)(U)

Several bodies of terrorists were discovered in Tortuguitas, BAP. (S)(U)

December 13, 1974 (S)(U)

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A terrorist bomb was deactivated in Barrio Norte, Federal (S)(U)

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RE: FOREIGN POLITICAL MATTERS-ARGENTINA;
ARGENTINE TERRORIST ACTIVITIES

Capital (FC) by the Federal Police of Argentina (FPA). (S)(u)

A bomb was detonated underneath the automobile of a Ford Motor Company executive in Martinez, BAP. (S)(u)

In Burzaco, BAP, a bomb was detonated in front of the residence of a printers union official. Another bomb was detonated in Burzaco in front of the residence of an Argentine businessman. (S)(u)

In Lanus a bomb was detonated at the office of a notary public. (S)(u)

In La Matanza, BAP, an Argentine industrialist was liberated by the BAPP. Two of the industrialists' kidnappers were killed in a shootout with the BAPP. (S)(u)

December 20, 1974 (S)(u)

During a shootout in the FC with members of a terrorist organization, one terrorist was killed and one FPA officer was wounded. (S)(u)

The Production Manager of a petrochemical company was murdered after a labor dispute. (S)(u)

December 22, 1974 (S)(u)

There was an alleged shootout between presumed extremists near the Palermo Argentine Army garrison in the FC. (S)(u)

A Catholic sociology professor was murdered by extremists while leaving a church in San Isidro, BAP. (S)(u)

A kidnapping attempt against a General Labor Confederation (CGT) leader was frustrated in Tres Arroyos, BAP. (S)(u)

December 23, 1974 (S)(u)

The FPA Chief narrowly escaped death in an ERP bombing action carried out while the FPA Chief was returning to his residence under the protection of heavily armed bodyguards. One FPA Officer was killed and two other officers seriously wounded. (S)(u)

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RE: FOREIGN POLITICAL MATTERS-ARGENTINA;
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December 26, 1974

A terrorist kidnapping attempt against two foreign executives of Lever Brothers was frustrated in Avellaneda, BAP. One off-duty FPA officer was killed and another seriously wounded in this kidnapping attempt.

December 30, 1974

The personnel director of a paint factory was sought out and assassinated on the company's premises in Villa Martelli, BAP, by the ERP. The ERP indicated that this individual was assassinated because of his alleged poor treatment of workers.

January 15, 1975

A bomb attack was carried out against a Ford Motor Company showroom in Adrogué. The night watchman was slightly injured and hospitalized as a result of the bombing.

January 17, 1975

A group of terrorists machine gunned the residence of the Mayor of San Miguel de Tucumán. After completing the machine gun attack against the Mayor's residence, the terrorists tossed Molotov bombs, causing minor damages. The Montonero guerrilla organization claimed credit for this action.

A BAPP Officer was ambushed by terrorists in San Justo, BAP.

An FPA Officer was killed and another wounded when they attempted to question individuals distributing leftists propaganda near the Floresta Railroad Station.

January 20, 1975

A band of approximately 24 armed individuals dressed in green fatigue combat uniforms kidnapped and executed a farm worker in Tucumán. Subsequently this same band set fire to a station of the Tucumán Provincial Police (TPP), which was unoccupied.

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TPP officials believe that the perpetrators of these acts were members of the ERP. (S)(u)

The residence of a construction workers official was machinegunned in Cordoba. (S)(u)

In Salta the residence of a former official of the municipal government was bombed. (S)(u)

The ERP took over a local television broadcasting station in Cordoba and broadcast propaganda for a short period of time utilizing a taped message. (S)(u)

[January 21, 1975] (S)(u)

A group of terrorists took over and burned the San Rafael Railroad Station in Tucuman. (S)(u)

In La Plata, the residence of a BAPP officer was forcibly entered and the credential and badge of this officer were stolen. (S)(u)

Two unoccupied houses were bombed by terrorists in Tucuman. (S)(u)

In Bahia Blanca, BAP, a bomb attack was carried out against a private residence. (S)(u)

In Corrientes bomb attacks were carried out against two brothers, who are members of the Provincial Police. The Montoneros claimed credit for these bomb attacks. (S)(u)

[January 23, 1975] (S)(u)

A Doctor was kidnapped and subsequently found murdered in Tucuman. (S)(u)

The publishing facility of the newspaper "La Voz del Interior" was taken over and subsequently destroyed by right-wing terrorists belonging to the AAA organization. An FPA (S)(u)

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source reported that the individuals carrying out this attack against "La Voz del Interior" were the same individuals who had previously carried out a bomb attack against the printing facility of the leftist newspaper "El Mundo" in the FC during January, 1974. (S)(U)

[January 24, 1975] (S)(U)

In Bahia Blanca, BAP, terrorists broke into the residence of a local government official and assassinated him. The residence of the assassinated official had been subjected to a terrorist bombing during March, 1974. (S)(U)

In Tucuman the bodies of two ERP members were discovered. (S)(U)

Members of the ERP broke into the residence of a private citizen and seriously wounded him during an assassination attempt. (S)(U)

In Cordoba the body of RAFAEL GUSTAVO GIGENA was discovered in Villa Carlos Paz, Cordoba Province. The victim was the brother of ENRIQUE GIGENA, who was killed on November 20, 1974, during a shootout with the Cordoba Provincial Police. (S)(U)

[January 25, 1975] (S)(U)

An FPA Officer was robbed of his gun and badge in Rafael Calzada, BAP. (S)(U)

A bomb attack was carried out against the Director of "El Diario," an afternoon newspaper published in La Plata, BAP. (S)(U)

In Bahia Blanca, BAP, the law office of a local attorney was machine gunned. (S)(U)

In Tucuman the residence of a sugar workers union officer was bombed. (S)(U)

A Santa Fe Provincial Police Officer was kidnapped by several armed individuals. He was subsequently released after being subjected to a beating. His service revolver and police credentials were stolen. (S)(U)

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ARGENTINE TERRORIST ACTIVITIES] (S)(U)

[January 26, 1975] (S)(U)

The residence of a construction worker was bombed in Cordoba. (S)(U)

[January 27, 1975] (S)(U)

A bookstore was bombed in the FC. (S)(U)

In Viedma the residence of a provincial government official was bombed. (S)(U)

Four presumed terrorists forcibly entered a garage in Nunez, BAP, and stole two automobiles. In nearby Munro, BAP, six armed individuals presumed to be terrorists forcibly entered a garage and stole four automobiles. An official of the BAPP advised that the theft of automobiles by terrorists usually is a warning sign that some major terrorist act will occur within the next few days. (S)(U)

In Cordoba six pounds of high explosives, together with blasting caps and fuses, were stolen from a construction site by presumed terrorists. (S)(U)

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